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**Assistance with Self-Administration of Medications**  
**Committee**

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**AWSAM COMMITTEE Minutes**  
(Approved March 24, 2015)

The AWSAM Committee held a meeting on January 20, 2015 at 3:30 P.M. in Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, Delaware.

**PRESENT:** Pam Tyranski, Mary Peterson, Sandra Robinson, Ann Blackmore, Alicia Kluger, Maxine Travis, Agnes Richardson, Sarah Carmody, Yrene Waldron, Vickie Cox

**ABSENT:** None

**GUESTS:** None

**PRESIDING:** Pam Tyranski

**STAFF:** Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director, Delaware Board of Nursing

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Tyranski called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** Minutes from October 14, 2014 were reviewed. Ms. Blackmore made a motion to approve as written, seconded by Ms. Waldron. By unanimous vote the motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Members discussed various questions that would be appropriate to post on the Board of Nursing website, as well as, be helpful when talking with legislators. Dr. Zickafoose will compile the suggested list of questions and answers for review at the next meeting.

Generic and Site Specific Information for Facility Notifications

Members discussed various methods to communicate the change from AWSAM to LLAM and for distribution of materials. Most entities are covered by Ms. Peterson's and Ms. Travis' organizations. They will send an email blast to the administrators of the approved entities, when the time to communicate is appropriate. The members discussed holding meetings, conference calls, and Town Hall meetings. Specific dates and locations will be determined after the legislation passes. Ms. Peterson stated DHSS is looking into online programs to support the CEU requirements for CNAs through Elsevier, similar to the College of Direct Supports course currently being used by DDDS. She informed the committee there are other courses available for assisted living as well as other community based entities. Ms. Waldron commented that Town Hall meetings could get confusing if various entities attend them, so it would be best to only discuss the core curriculum. Ms. Waldron and Ms. Peterson agreed there could be content added to the DHCFA conference and Ms. Travis stated she could get her group of administrators together for a meeting where the information could

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be presented. Ms. Peterson also agreed she could get the DSAMH and DDDS contractors together for a meeting. Public hearings were discussed and the process that will take place through the Board of Nursing. Ms. Peterson stated they do not conduct public hearings; instead they open regulations up for public comment. The DLTCRP offers New Director of Nursing training, and this content could be included in their 3 day workshop.

Stakeholder Outreach- DPR Legislation Update- Sponsors

Members discussed which legislators would be appropriate to sponsor the LLAM legislation. Dr. Zickafoose stated the current draft legislation is being reviewed and Mr. Mangler will obtain the sponsors for the bill.

DOE Regulation Update

Ms. Tyranski informed the committee members that Ms. Wolfe will no longer be participating on this committee. However, Ms. Wolfe sent an email saying the DOE regulations went out for review and comments were incorporated. They should be final in February. Dr. Zickafoose informed the committee members that the language pertaining to schools was removed from the LLAM bill and was left as currently written in current statute. Ms. Tyranski read an email which M. Tallman (public interest person) requested be read for public comment pertaining to the school provision for emergency treatment. She requested specific wording be added. Members discussed the email, considered the request, and determined the language in the DOE regulations does not pertain to the Board of Nursing regulations. Dr. Richardson made a motion to leave the LLAM bill language as written, seconded by Ms. Peterson. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS before the committee (for discussion only):** Dr. Zickafoose informed the committee she met with representatives from Stockley who told her there was a medication called Llam. This raised concern with the name of the new program being called LLAM. Therefore, she checked with Dr. Huckshorn at DSAMH who stated this was an old drug used for Heroin withdrawal but it is no longer being manufactured.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** None

**NEXT MEETING-** March 24, 2015 at 3:30 PM Conference Room B, Cannon Building.

**ADJOURNMENT-** The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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